



An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Dear Parents,

As a former math teacher, I look at everything in life as a math equation and I understand that in order to gain the most, you have to know how to convert negatives into positives. I think we have been doing just that since we began school on August 17 - turning negatives into positives. Today we completed our 37th day of school which is roughly 21% of the 2020-21 school year. Although we have had to deal with the negatives of COVID-19, being able to have our students on campus for in person learning so far this school year is a positive in my book.

Our NDA community has worked very hard to make it possible for our students to attend in person learning and our Pandas Return to Campus Plan has been very successful so far this school year. That success is due to our students, faculty and staff who are committed to making good choices to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and seeking what is good for others. Our Pandas have definitely been *Uniting Humankind as Reflections of God's Love* this school year!

As we head into a 4-day weekend, I strongly encourage our NDA families to follow COVID-19 safety protocols. It is critically important that we stay focused on the common good and what science tells us about COVID-19: the best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus. Parents, we need your help to make this happen. **Please encourage your daughter to do the following over the long weekend so that we can continue in person learning at NDA:**

- Wash your hands thoroughly and often
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Social Distance by putting 6 feet of space between yourself and people who don't live in your household
- Cover your mouth and nose with a mask when you are around others or you leave your home
- Avoid groups of more than 10 people
- **DO NOT travel outside of the US or to any high-risk locations as defined by the KY Department of Public Health** (states with a positivity testing rate at or above 15% - you can find that list [HERE](#) under "Travel Advisory and you can find the Johns Hopkins complete list of states and positivity rates [HERE](#).)
- **DO NOT travel via public transportation such as a plane, bus, subway, train, etc.**

PLEASE NOTE: STUDENTS WHO TRAVEL VIA PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES OR TRAVEL TO ANY HIGH-RISK LOCATIONS (AS DEFINED BY THE KY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TRAVEL ADVISORY) WILL BE SUBJECT TO A 14-DAY QUARANTINE IN ORDER TO RETURN TO SCHOOL.

Thank you for your continued support of NDA and our efforts to keep our community safe and healthy this school year!
In Notre Dame,

Mr. Jack VonHandorf

NDA COVID-19 INFORMATION ◀

REMEMBER, the [NDA COVID-19 Information page](#) on the website has many important resources for parents and students:

- Pandas Return to Campus Plan
- Question Submission Link
- NDA COVID-19 Response Chart for Students and Staff
- and more!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS ◀

PLEASE NOTE: There are specific directives from the Diocese of Covington regarding travel which you received in the September 2 issue fo the PPW. These can be found on page 13 of the [Diocese of Covington Department of Catholic Schools COVID-19 Return to School Requirements](#). Here are the directives:

FAMILY TRIPS:

- According to the CDC, travel increases your chances of getting and spreading COVID-19. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-in-the-us.html>
- To help keep our school communities safe, all families are discouraged from traveling to another country or state for family trips.
- Families must notify the school of trips that may increase student exposure to COVID-19.
- As a result of traveling, students may be subject to a 14 day quarantine in order to return to school. Considerations for this include the location, trip activities, and the mode of travel.
- Travel that meets any of the following criteria will require a mandatory 14 day quarantine:
 - Travel via public transportation such as plane or bus
 - Travel outside of the United States
 - Travel to the states listed under the Kentucky Department of Health travel advisory. This is based on states with a positivity testing rate at or above 15%. See latest data [HERE](#).

FROM THE
SCHOOL
NURSE



MAKE GOOD CHOICES! HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

- Symptom Screenings and Health Precautions
- Contact Tracing
- Cleaning and Sanitizing our Campus
- Hand Sanitizing
- Masks
- Social Distancing
- Safety Barriers



Together we can Make a Difference!

STUDENT LIFE

VIRTUAL PARENT MINI-NIGHT ◀

[CLICK HERE](#) to meet NDA's gifted and dedicated faculty who have the pleasure of working with your daughters each day.

NDA SUPER DAYS

MODIFIED SUPER DAY ◀

Next Wednesday, October 14 Sophomores and Juniors will take the PSAT with testing occurring between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. on this day. Students will be dismissed immediately after testing with no lunch being served.

Freshmen and Seniors will be off on this day with no classes being held. Seniors are encouraged to work on college applications while Freshmen will be expected to complete a brief virtual program on this day for which details will be shared at a later time.

Campus Ministry

CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWS ◀

Campus Ministry: We continue to pray a decade of the rosary every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 7:40 a.m. in the chapel. All students and faculty/staff members are welcome to join us.



NEWS FROM THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT ◀

NDA's Dual Credit Chemistry students recently visited Thomas More University's lab. While they were there they analyzed aspirin.



BAMBOOTIQUE NEWS ◀

Mrs. McLeod has some Deals and Steals this week in the online Bambootique! She and Mrs. Brungs are getting ready for new items so they have many newly marked down items online and Sue is taking an additional 10% all clearance sale items! You can shop online here: [online Bambootique!](#)

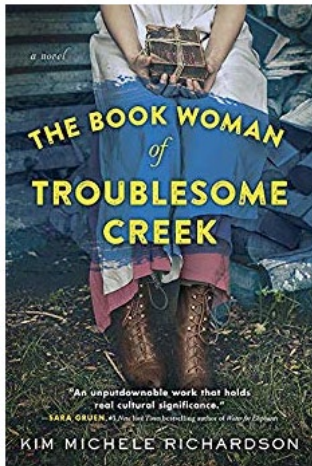


PANDA SNEAK PEEK INFORMATIONAL COFFEES 2020 ◀

Informational Coffees for prospective Panda parents!

If you know any prospective families who would like to learn more about NDA, encourage them to attend a Coffee this fall. Space is limited for the in-person Coffees due to social distancing. Reservations are required for all of these events. Interested families should contact Katie Caccavari, Director of Admissions, for details and registration information, caccavarik@ndapan-das.org | 859-292-1829.

- Tuesday, October 13, 6 - 7:30 p.m. (evening event)--This event will be held in person on our campus.*
- Thursday, October 22, 7 - 8 p.m.--This event will be virtual.**
- Wednesday, October 28, 8 - 9 a.m.--This event will be held in person on our campus.*



COMMON READER DAY: THE BOOK WOMAN OF TROUBLESOME CREEK ◀

Don't forget - Common Reader Day is scheduled for Wednesday, October 28. Details will be shared at a later time, but we look forward to meeting (virtually) the book's author, Kim Michele Richardson, on this day!



ORDER LUNCH FOR NEXT WEEK ◀

[CLICK HERE](#) for the lunch order form for next week.

This form serves as a head count for our cafeteria staff. Please indicate which day you would like to purchase lunch next week. Check all that apply. Payment will be due upon pick up in the cafeteria and using your ID card barcode and will be charged to your NDA lunch account through [PayPams](#).

Orders are due by 3:00 p.m. each Friday. **Orders for next week are due by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, October 9.**

Reminders about lunch:

PARENTS: Please check the students lunch account balances through the PayPams link above. We have many with overdue balances.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENT ATHLETE PARENTS ◀

Student Athlete Parents,

We are excited that we have been able to have fall sports so far and we are looking forward to our winter and spring seasons as well. Due to COVID-19 and all the uncertainty around athletics, we held off on our Coupon Book Fundraiser but now we are ready to get it started!

You will have **3 options** to choose from to fulfill the coupon book fundraiser requirement for student athletes. You will have the opportunity to:

- 1) Sell 18 books for one daughter, 14 books for a second daughter and 8 for a third daughter participating in athletics**
- 2) Pay a fundraising fee and sell half of the books**
- 3) Pay a fundraising fee and sell no books**

For one daughter, the selling book option would be to sell 18 books. The half option would be a \$140 fundraiser fee and selling 9 books. The full fundraising fee and selling no books for one daughter would be a \$280 fundraising fee.

For a second daughter, the selling book option would be to sell 14 books. The half option would be a \$110 fundraising fee and selling 7 books. The no selling book option would be a fundraising fee of \$220.

For a third daughter, the selling book option would be to sell 8 books. The half option would be a \$65 fundraising fee and selling 4 books. The no selling book option would be a fundraising fee of \$130.

Select an option in Final Forms for each child participating in Athletics by **October 19, 2020**. If you have already selected an option in Final Forms, you can leave it or log in to Final Forms and edit prior to October 19. **If no option is selected, or a student chooses to participate in athletics after October 19, 2020, the student will owe the “Sell No Books” cost.**

If you are unsure whether your daughter plans to participate in athletics, you may want to select the “Sell No Books” options so that books are not produced for you and you are not held financially responsible for those printed books.

If you choose to sell any coupon books, pick up will be the week of November 16, 2020 with money and completed sales spreadsheet due January 8, 2021. There will be more information to follow about the spreadsheet and money turn in.

If you choose to pay a fundraiser fee, those fees will be billed to your FACTS account in January.

We are looking forward to a great fundraiser!

Myanna Webster
NDA Athletic Director

COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES ◀



SENIORS APPLYING TO UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI: ◀

See [these UC Updates](#) from Ms. Burgei regarding UC Admissions/Scholarships.



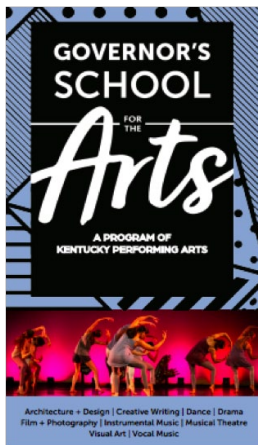
SENIORS APPLYING TO ALABAMA ◀

Alabama is now "Test-Optional" for Admission. They still require a Test Score for Scholarships. Full details: gobama.ua.edu/apply.



GOVERNOR'S SCHOLARS PROGRAM (GSP) ◀

NDA's GSP Applications are due November 18. The [GSP website](#) has everything one needs to know to successfully complete their application, including a [Helpful Hints Packet](#) and informational videos detailing sections. (GSP recommends viewing these videos!) Contact Mrs. Hildreth with questions.



GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS (GSA) ◀

Architecture	Creative Writing	Musical Theater
Visual Art	Instrumental Music	Drama
Film & Photography	Vocal Music	Dance

The Governor's School for the Arts (GSA) has rolled out new opportunities for GSA applicants, including a full calendar of virtual info sessions and chances to hear directly from adjudicators in all nine artforms.

October 14 - Applicant Guides Released - Important documents and criteria, enabling applicants to start honing their materials

October 15 - Virtual Info Session: What's an Applicant Guide? - 4:30 p.m.
See how applicants can use the documents to submit the strongest application possible. [FREE, BUT REGISTRATION REQUIRED THROUGH THE LINK ON THIS PAGE.](#)



Making the Right Choice

DRUG FREE CLUB ◀

Why haven't you registered your daughter in Drug Free Clubs of America (DFCA) yet?

Q - My daughter may have used something, and I don't want her to get in trouble.

A - The school NEVER gets the results of the drug tests. DFCA informs parents directly, allowing them to handle the results and get any help as they best see fit.

This information came to parents last week with daughters in DFCA:

Most Popular Drug Trends Among High School Students:

- 1. Alcohol** - 58.5% of 12th graders report using alcohol at some point in their lifetime.
- 2. Illicit Drugs** - 47.4% of 12th graders report using illicit drugs at some point in their lifetime.
- 3. Vaping** - 45.6% of 12th graders report vaping at some point in their lifetime.
- 4. Marijuana** - 43.7% of 12th graders report using marijuana at some point in their lifetime.
- 5. Cigarettes** - 22.3% of 12th graders report smoking cigarettes at some point in their lifetime.
- 6. Prescription Drugs** - 14.6% of 12th graders report abusing prescription drugs at some point in their lifetime.
- 7. Smokeless Tobacco** - 9.8% of 12th graders report using smokeless tobacco at some point in their lifetime.

***Information from the National Institute of Drug Abuse - [Monitoring the Future Survey](#)**

Did this information surprise you? Is it what you expected? Register your daughter in DFCA to receive information that is helpful, informative, and thought-provoking.

[Applications accepted through October 30.](#)



RESOURCES FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS ◀

- NDA [Parent Toolbox](#)



College Rep Visits

COLLEGE REP VISITS ◀

Due to COVID-19, we cannot invite College Reps into the building, but we will be organizing Virtual College Visits for NDA students!

Hanover College

Wednesday, October 7 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://hanover.zoom.us>

Northern Kentucky University

Wednesday, October 7 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://nku.zoom.us>

University of Tennessee

Wednesday, October 7 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://tennessee.zoom.us/j/96293960838>

Lipscomb University

Monday, October 12 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://lipscomb.zoom.us>

Savannah College of Art & Design

Monday, October 12 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://scad.zoom.us>

Grinnell College

Tuesday, October 13 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://grinnellcollege.zoom.us>

Samford University

Wednesday, October 14 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://undergradadmission.samford.edu>

University of Alabama Huntsville

Wednesday, October 14 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://uah-uasystem.zoom.us>

Eastern Kentucky University

Thursday, October 15 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://eku.zoom.us>

University of Kentucky

Tuesday, October 20 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://uky.zoom.us>

Long Island University - Post

Thursday, October 22 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://liu.zoom.us>

Kentucky Wesleyan College

Wednesday, October 28 @ 7:00 p.m.

Visit Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us>

Visit Link: <https://us.bbcollab.com/guest/c3d-d32226c90476480318172592b5a5e>

Gateway Community & Technical College

Monday, November 30 @ 7:00 p.m.

Questions about College Visits: Contact Ms. Burgei @ burgeik@ndapadns.org



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY
AUTUMN
Gala

Please join us for our virtual event
Saturday, October 17, 2020 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Registration is now Open!

Take a sneak peek at the incredible items that are available in the Auction as well as the special raffles.

Bidding opens on Saturday, October 10 at 8 a.m. and will continue until the conclusion of the Gala on Saturday, October 17 at 8 p.m.

Once you register and place your first bid, you will then be entered in a drawing to win a bottle of Blanton's Bourbon!

Important Information

First Choice Raffle and Basket Boutique

You can win the "FIRST CHOICE" of any of our amazing auction items with the First Choice raffle!

Only 125 tickets will be sold
Tickets are \$50 each
(Exempt: Pappy 12 year)

You can preview the outstanding list of auction items to choose from [HERE](#).

Also, take a look at our fabulous Basket Boutique Raffle baskets.

To purchase your First Choice Raffle ticket or to purchase a Basket Boutique raffle ticket, [CLICK HERE](#).

How to Register to Bid

The success of the Autumn Gala greatly depends on parents, alumnae and friends like you who understand the value of Catholic education.

To Register for the Autumn Gala click on the link below

<https://ndacvgejoinme.org/gala2020>

On the top right corner of your screen click on the orange "Register to Bid" button.

For any questions regarding your registration contact Denise Bowman at 859.640.2265.

Pappy VanWinkle 12 yr Raffle

This is your chance to bring home one of the most coveted bourbons available, Pappy VanWinkle 12 year!

Purchase a ticket for \$50 and you could be the lucky winner.

Only 100 tickets will be sold!

The winner will be announced Saturday, October 17.

[CLICK HERE](#) to purchase your Pappy VanWinkle Raffle ticket before they are all gone!



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY
AUTUMN
Gala
October 17, 2020



Thank You to our Sponsors!

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<i>Bahl and Gaynor Investments</i>	<i>Signature Cocktail</i>
<i>Heath and Joyce Northcutt</i>	<i>Signature Cocktail</i>
<i>Pediatric Dental of Anderson</i>	<i>Signature Cocktail</i>
<i>The Savvy Shoes- Abby Schuh</i>	<i>Signature Cocktail</i>
<i>Stith Funeral Homes</i>	<i>Signature Cocktail</i>
<i>TKOR Holdings</i>	<i>Signature Cocktail</i>
<i>Kevin and Donna Bloemer Baker</i>	<i>Patron</i>
<i>Doug and Julie Mullen-Bruns</i>	<i>Patron</i>
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COMMUNITY NEWS



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You can find a complete list of community news [HERE](#).

- Resources to Support Learning for parents, educators, & kids of all ages
- Help Wanted: School Cafeteria Managers and School Cafeteria Staff

▶ Important dates

October 7	Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences Virtual
October 8	No School
October 9	No School
October 13	Informational Parent Coffee for Prospective Parents - In Person
October 16	First Quarter Ends Picture Retake Day
October 17	2020 Virtual Autumn Gala
October 22	Informational Parent Coffee for Prospective Parents - Virtual
October 24	ACT at NDA
October 28	Informational Parent Coffee for Prospective Parents - In Person Common Reader Day
October 30	Halloween Festivities
November 2	No School: All Saints
November 3	No School: Election Day
November 6	Remembrance Mass